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John,

Yes, I think it would be a good idea for us have a conference call about the model when you are ready. I am informed that our modeler will be out all next week so perhaps sometime after that, when you are ready to discuss, we'll schedule a call. Let me know when. Thanks.

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Ray,

Actually, I have not had a chance to review the current version of the model. We met with a bunch of folks from El Paso a couple months ago and they presented the revised model. Based on the results of the revised model, in which the plume no longer enters New Mexico, I not sure we would continue having objections to the exemption.

According to the presenters, none of the modeling parameters changed except for reducing the grid spacing to increase the resolution of the model. If this is the case, I don't have any specific problems with the model. However, I did want to take a little time to review the parameters between the original version and the revised version to verify that no other parameters besides grid spacing changed....

I am willing to discuss the model, but I would like to look at the parameter lists again first. I probably will not get to this until after Thanksgiving. My treatment in evaluating the model is pretty course because I am not a modeler and we do not have any significant modeling resources in the Bureau. However, I would be interested to know what concerns your modeler has.

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Thanks John,

By the way, George said to dialogue with you concerning NMED's position on the GW modeling in the El Paso exemption. George said ya'll had no issues with the latest model. We've had one of our modelers look at it and he's got some serious issues. I'm fairly certain the technical staff is not going to support the model with our management and our deliberations with counterparts at TCEQ.

My question to you is would you be willing to discuss the model, our concerns and your thoughts in a conference call with me and Scott Ellinger the modeler? Maybe 1 hour? One thing I'd like to hear is your take on the model. I think maybe both agencies could benefit from understanding the others position.

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Ray,

We do not have any DP's for Taxidermists, but we do have a few meat packing facilities. For those we generally do not allow them to discharge to a septic tank leachfield system, except for their domestic waste. We usually require pump and haul.

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Due to a request by another Region, on our next national EPA conference call, we would like to report how your agency treats / would treat Class V wells at taxidermy or meat processing facilities? Thanks

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